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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Meier, et al.  
For : **WALSH CODE ALLOCATION/  
DE-ALLOCATION SYSTEM**  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, applicants respectfully request amendment of the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

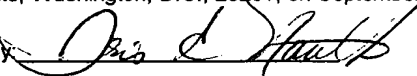
Please replace the paragraph [0017] on page 5 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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**[0017]** FIGURES 2A - D show a table of Walsh codes used by the Walsh code allocator in accordance with aspects of the present invention.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT** is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C., 20231, on September 24, 2001.

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